(iii) Expansion of the coverage of Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme and National Rucal Employment Programme.

(b) Yes, Sir. Compulsory Registration of Powerlooms

1590. SHRI L. GANESAN;
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY;

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state.-

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have taken a decision in favour of compulsory registration of powerlooms;

(b) if so. what are the details in this and

(c) what are the reasons which promo ted Government to take such a decision'.'

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI (KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The provision regarding compulsory registration is continued in the present policy with a view to getting the required data, considered essential for healthy development and regulation of powerlooms. It is envisaged that the registration will cover existing powerlooms and such new powerlooms. which are sought to be set up keeping in view locational guidelines.

Development of Wildlife Tourism Centre

1591. SHRI B. L. PANWAR: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any plan for the development of Wildlife Tourism Centre if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) in what manner the plan is proposed to be implemented; and

(c) whether there is any plan to select any site in Rajasthan and especially in Thar desert area of Western Rajasthan with a view to developing Wildlife Tourism Centre?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) „„ The Department has taken a decision to develop tourism facilities in various Wild Life Sanctuaries, both for the domestic 'and foreign tourists, A provision of R . 560.00 lakhs has been made for the pu; -pose for the duration of 7th Five Year Plan. Action 'has been taken for the construction of forest lodges as well provision of mini buses|elephants in National ParksjWild Life sanctuaries Bella. Ranlhambore, Similipal, Bandhav-garh, Enjal, Manas. Corbett. Dudhwa, Kaziranga, Chilha, Alwar. Madumalai. Pong Dam Lake. Ranuka Sanctuary, Tirthan and Sam Desert National *I'* etc.

One of the recommendations of the Seminar, recently conducted by the Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management, pertaining to the establishment of Committee of Wild Life Experts t0 a* the Government in the development promition of Wild Life Tourism; has been accepted by the Government.

(0) The Central Department of Tourism had accepted the proposal of construction of tourist cottages at Sam Desert National Park. Jaisalmer. An amount of Rs. 8 lakhs out of the estimated cost of Rs. 15.51 lakhs was released t0 the Goverr-ment of Rajasthan in December, 19S-. Howefer, the work could not be ci menced so far by the State Govern m as the acquisition of 'and for the pre has yet not been completed. It is ed feat the State Government will be commencing this project very soon.

Press Report captioned "But where is the Computer, Sir"

1592. SHRI J. P. GOYAL; Will 1 Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention been drawn t0 the press report captioned "But where is the computer, Sir" which appeared in the 'Hindustan Times' of the 31 st January, 1986;

(b) if so, what are the reason-s for which the computer has not so far been

the National Vocational Training Institute (.Women's wing);

(el whether i| is a Cad that diplomas be awarded t_G the trainees 'at the of the course as no practical work has been covered;

(d) if so. wheher any responsibility en fixed in this regard; and

(e, what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) (a I yes, Sir.

[1] The course "Data Preparation .nil" which ha_s been started at the ma] Vocational Training Institute for ten. New Delhi does not need an exclusive computer. The off-line terminals needed for imparting the. training have installed. The limited exposure to the computer needed for operating the tie programme prepared by the has been provided by talcing the S to other computer installations.

Since the required practical training been provided to the trainees, the ion of not awarding the certificates to the successful trainees at the end of the does not arise. A_s envisaged I the scheme, arrangements are being made for providing 6 months on the job in computer installations after the competition Of six months of institutional training.

(d) and (e) In view of the above, the question of fixing the responsibility and taking further action does not arise.

Model Law on Consumer Protection

1593. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES he pleased to State.

whether Government have recently 11 a Model Law o_n Consumer Picon for $adopti_{on}$ by all the States and on Territories:

(b) if so. what are the salient features thereof: and

(c) by when it i_s to b_e given effect to?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN I III MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI AJIT PANJA); (a) No, Sir.

(b) The dr aft model law on consume) protection to be adopted by the States provides for setting up a Consumer Pro tection Council, Directorate of Consumers' Affairs and a Consumer Dispute Redi Forum. The objectives of the proposed measures is t_0 protect and promote con sumer interest and provide for a forum lor speedy and inexpensive redressal of grievances of consumers. The Consumer Protection Council shall promote and protect the rights of the consumer such $_{as}$ right to safety, right to be informed, right to choose, right to be heard and right ^{to} seek redressal against unscrupu lous exploitation of consumers by some manufacturers|traders. The Council will undertake programmes for providing in formation and education to consumers and development of consumer protection movement. The Directorate of Consumer Affairs will be an executive arm to receive consumers' complaints and to act on them. The Consumer $Disput_e$ Redressal Forum will be a quasi-judicial machinery for speedy and inexpensive settlement of consumer disputes.

(c) The law will be applied after com pleting the legislative process.

Price tagging of goods

1594. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased, to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that customers are often cheated by the shopkeepers in two ways, firstly the goods are sold in loose form and not in packages and secondly there is no price tag on the goods put on sale for the benefit of th_e prospective buy-ers

(b) whether Government are also aware that even the items which are put on 'grand sale' do not carry the price tags indicating the original prices and price cut on these articles and such sales benefit only the shopkeepers; and